

**INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT  
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

Property/District Name: Parker Farm Survey Number: WO-465

Project: US 113 from MD 394 to Delaware State Line Agency: SHA

Site visit by MHT Staff: X no      yes Name                      Date                     

Eligibility recommended      Eligibility **not** recommended X

Criteria:      A      B      C      D Considerations:      A      B      C      D      E      F      G      None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

The Parker House is located on a 19.34-acre tract of land on the south side of Newark Road northeast of the village of Newark in Worcester County, MD. The property contains a dwelling, a barn and a smokehouse and is not considered eligible for individual listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

Built in 1931, the Parker House is a 1-1/2-story, three-bay frame bungalow-type house. It is set upon a rusticated concrete block foundation and is covered with a steeply pitched gable roof with kicks in both the front and rear slopes and featuring shed-roof dormers and a central brick chimney. A full-width, screened-in porch with square posts extends across the facade and is incorporated under the gable roof.

frame, gable-roofed smokehouse is located southeast of the house and east of a two-story frame barn with a loft. Both outbuildings were constructed in the early 1930s and are contemporaneous to the house.

The Parker House is representative of a modest-sized residence having a bungalow-type form and displaying Colonial Revival-style features and is typical of the residential architecture from its period. The building lacks the architectural distinctiveness to qualify it for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C. The property is not known to have any associations with persons or events significant to our past and is thus not eligible for listing under Criteria A or B.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Review and Compliance Files

Prepared by: Stuart Paul Dixon/Historian KCI Technologies, Inc. for SHA

Kimberly Prothro Williams March 17, 1996  
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence: ✓ yes      no      not applicable  
Quanda P. Smith March 27, 1996  
Reviewer, NR program Date

*Smith*

**MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT**

**I. Geographic Region:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eastern Shore	(all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
<input type="checkbox"/> Western Shore	(Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
<input type="checkbox"/> Piedmont	(Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
<input type="checkbox"/> Western Maryland	(Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

**II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Paleo-Indian	10000-7500 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/> Early Archaic	7500-6000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/> Middle Archaic	6000-4000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/> Late Archaic	4000-2000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/> Early Woodland	2000-500 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/> Middle Woodland	500 B.C. - A.D. 900
<input type="checkbox"/> Late Woodland/Archaic	A.D. 900-1600
<input type="checkbox"/> Contact and Settlement	A.D. 1570-1750
<input type="checkbox"/> Rural Agrarian Intensification	A.D. 1680-1815
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural-Industrial Transition	A.D. 1815-1870
<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial/Urban Dominance	A.D. 1870-1930
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Modern Period	A.D. 1930-Present
<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown Period ( <input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/> historic)	

**III. Prehistoric Period Themes:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Subsistence
<input type="checkbox"/> Settlement
<input type="checkbox"/> Political
<input type="checkbox"/> Demographic
<input type="checkbox"/> Religion
<input type="checkbox"/> Technology
<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Adaptation

**IV. Historic Period Themes:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
<input type="checkbox"/> Government/Law
<input type="checkbox"/> Military
<input type="checkbox"/> Religion
<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Educational/Cultural
<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation

**V. Resource Type:**

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic/single dwelling

Known Design Source: \_\_\_\_\_

Maryland Historical Trust  
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. WO-465

Magi No.

DOE \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

**1. Name** (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Parker Farm

**2. Location**

street & number 8552 Newark Road \_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Newark ☒ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Worcester

**3. Classification**

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
			<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

**4. Owner of Property** (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Kathleen M. Parker

street & number 8552 Newark Road telephone no.: (410) 632-1664

city, town Newark state and zip code MD 21841

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Worcester County Courthouse liber

street & number 1 West Market Street folio

city, town Snow Hill state MD 21863

**6. Representation in Existing** Historical Surveys

title

date \_\_\_ federal \_\_\_ state \_\_\_ county \_\_\_ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. W0-465

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

See Continuation Sheet

## 8. Significance

Survey No. WO-465

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

**Specific dates** 1931 **Builder/Architect** Parker Family

check: Applicable Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

See Continuation Sheet

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. WO-465

See Continuation Sheet

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 19.34

Quadrangle name Ninepin Branch, MD

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 269-2438~~

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DHCP/DHCD  
100 COMMUNITY PLACE  
CROWNSVILLE, MD 21032-2023  
514-7600

WO-465  
Parker Farm  
Worcester County

Historic Context:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:

Eastern Shore

Chronological/Development Period:

Modern Period

A.D. 1930-Present

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:

Agriculture, Architecture

Resource Type:

Category:

Building

Historic Environment:

Rural

Historic Functions:

Farmstead, Dwelling, Smokehouse, Barn

Known Design Source:

None

### CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 3

Located on a 19.34 acre lot primarily composed of cultivated agricultural fields, the Parker farmhouse and associated outbuildings stand on the south side of Newark Road northeast of the village of Newark in Worcester County, Maryland. Although not a distinctive example of a bungalow, the Parker farmhouse is a typical and representative example of a modest-sized dwelling having a bungalow-type form and displaying Colonial Revival-style features. A barn and a former smokehouse are situated south of the farmhouse. A grass lawn encloses the three buildings.

The Parker farmhouse consists of a one-and-one-half story frame bungalow erected in 1931 clad with white clapboard siding and displaying asphalt shingles on its gable roof. Shed-roofed dormers top both the north and south gable slopes. A full-width porch shading the main, north elevation facing Newark Road displays square wood posts, a clapboard skirt and screens enclosing the entire porch. The west elevation features a shed-roofed bay facing a dirt and gravel driveway. A brick chimney pile pierces the center of the roof ridge.

The farmhouse possesses three symmetrically-spaced bays across its north elevation composed of six-over-one wooden sash flanking a wood door with 12-lights. Counting the screened porch, the house extends four bays deep along both its east and west elevations. Paired six-over-ones occupy most window openings although both dormers exhibit triple six-over-one sash. The south elevation also displays a 12-light door. In addition to a coal chute in the south elevation, three-light awning windows penetrate the foundation.

Southeast of the house stands a former smokehouse currently used as a tool shed. Concrete block piers support the frame, one-story smokehouse capped by an asphalt-shingled gable roof. White clapboards similar to the dwelling's also sheath the smokehouse's exterior.

Situated roughly 50 feet south of the house, a two-story with loft frame barn features clapboard siding and a gable roof covered with asphalt shingles. The barn's north elevation facing the house contains three bays along its ground-level story. An X-board-and-batten door still slides in front of one of these openings while modern plywood doors cover the other entrances. Single second-story and loft openings in the north elevation possess board-and-batten doors. In addition to board-and-batten doors, the south elevation also contains a six-over-six wooden sash in its gable peak.

According to the current owner, the house and outbuildings appear as they did after their construction in the early 1930s.

The Parker Farm, with its dwelling and related smokehouse and barn, helps document the use of an architectural style popular in Worcester County during the early twentieth century. Although not a distinctive example of a bungalow, the Parker farmhouse is a typical and representative example of a modest-sized dwelling having a bungalow-type form and displaying Colonial Revival-style features. In addition the Parker Farm also reflects the rise of small agricultural holdings in Worcester County during the early twentieth century.

Kathleen Parker, the current owner, informed surveyors that the house and outbuildings were erected at the direction of her father in 1931. The property has stayed within family hands since that date. No other buildings have stood on the property according to Ms. Parker.

The one-and-one-half story Parker house closely mirrors, in many aspects, the "principle bungalow-style" house type erected in towns and rural areas of the county during the early twentieth century (Touart 1994:194-95). Possessing most of its original exterior architectural fabric, the Parker farmhouse's large shed-roof dormers, wood siding, six-over-one sash, and full-length porch extending across its main elevation, reflect the period of its original construction.

The Parker farmhouse, combined with its original outbuildings, possesses excellent integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship and feeling. Although not a distinctive example of a bungalow, the Parker farmhouse is a typical and representative example of a modest-sized dwelling having a bungalow-type form and displaying Colonial Revival-style features. The Maryland Historical Trust and the Maryland State Highway Administration have determined the Parker Farm eligible for the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties under Criterion C, embodiment of the distinctive characteristics of a type or method of construction. Reflecting the rise of small agricultural landholdings in Worcester County during the early twentieth century, the Maryland Historical Trust and the Maryland State Highway Administration have also determined the Parker Farm eligible for the Maryland Inventory under Criterion A, associations with broad patterns of state or local history.

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Parker Farm

Worcester County

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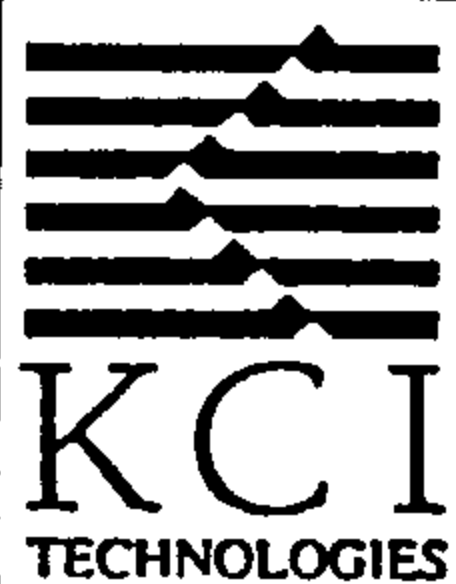
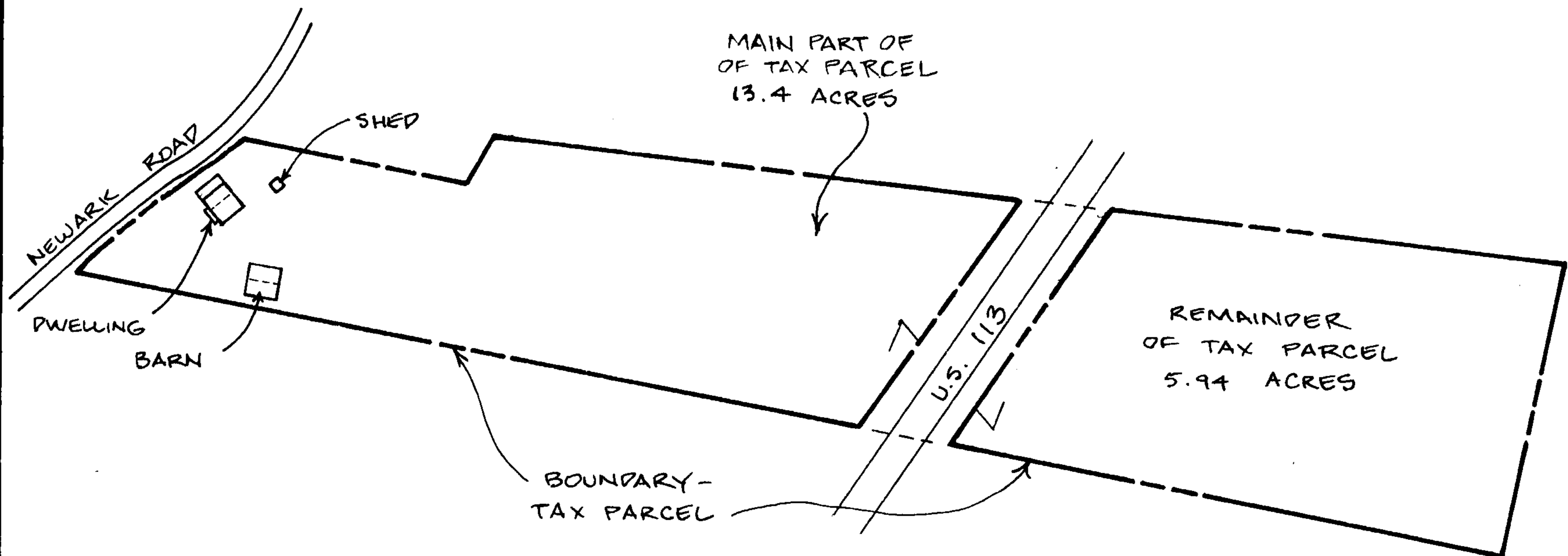
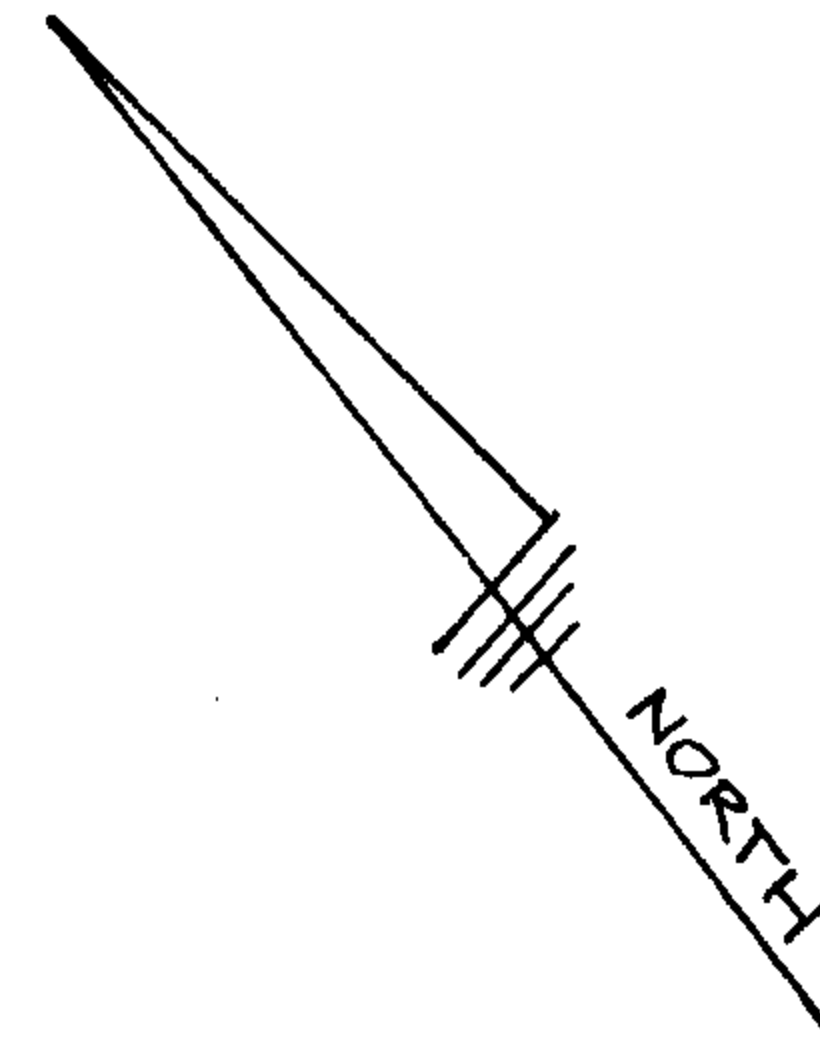
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PROPERTY LINES ON THIS MAP  
BASED ON TAX PARCEL MAP

FEET 500  
METERS 150  
SCALE 1"=300'



**RESOURCE SKETCH MAP**  
Parker Farm (KCI-4)  
Newark, Worcester County, MD  
Ninepin Branch, MD Quad Map

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WO 465 (KCI # 4)

PARIKER FARM

WORCESTER CO, MD

STUART DIXON

7/95

STATE HIGHWAY ADMIN

NORTH & WEST ELEVATION - DWELLING

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W0465 (KCI #4)

PARKER FARM

WORCESTER CO, MO

STUART DIXON

7/95

STATE HIGHWAY ADMIN.

NORTH & WEST ELEVATIONS - SHED & BARN

2/2